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House Resolution 2306

By: Representatives Collins of the 27th, Mills of the 25th, Rogers of the 26th, and Kidd of the 141st

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the sport of Power Soccer, the United States Power Soccer Association, and the
- 2 2009 Division II Southeastern League Champions, the North Georgia Screamin' Eagles; and
- 3 for other purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, the sport of Power Soccer or Power Chair Football was invented in France in
- 5 the 1970's, introduced to the United States in the 1980's, and has become the fastest growing
- 6 sport for power chair users, with teams in 16 states and nine countries; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Power Soccer is the only sport for people with severe disabilities no matter
- 8 what age or gender; and
- 9 WHEREAS, the United States Power Soccer Association was created by a group of
- 10 dedicated individuals to govern and promote the sport of Power Soccer; issue referee
- 11 certifications; conduct regional, national, and international tournament play; and sponsor
- 12 Team USA; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Team USA is the reigning World Cup champions, having beaten France in
- sudden death overtime in Tokyo, Japan, in 2007; and
- 15 WHEREAS, the North Georgia Screamin' Eagles Power Soccer team based out of Flowery
- 16 Branch, Georgia, completed their 2009 season with a 19-5-1 record, earned the title of
- 17 USPSA Southeastern League Champions, and finished fifth in the country; and
- 18 WHEREAS, this season the team has a 15-1-1 record, is leading the Southeastern League in
- 19 Division II, and will be competing for the National Championship in Fishers, Indiana, June
- 20 17-19, 2010; and
- 21 WHEREAS, other teams from Georgia competing in the Southeastern League include the
- 22 Carroll County Dominators, Atlanta Tigers, Atlanta Synergy, and the Shepherd Strikers; and

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23 WHEREAS, through perseverance and unyielding dedication and determination, disabled

- 24 athletes practice good sportsmanship and teamwork to accomplish one goal.
- $25 \quad NOW, THEREFORE, BE\,IT\,RESOLVED\,BY\,THE\,HOUSE\,OF\,REPRESENTATIVES\,that$
- 26 the members of this body commend the United States Power Soccer Association and all the
- 27 teams in the Southeastern Power Soccer League for their unparalleled achievements and
- 28 congratulate the players and coaches of the 2009 North Georgia Screamin' Eagles on their
- 29 championship title.
- 30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 31 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the United States Power
- 32 Soccer Association and the North Georgia Screamin' Eagles.